

## MEETING RECORD

**NAME OF GROUP:** HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

**DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:** Thursday, April 20, 2006, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room No. 206, Second Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jerry Berggren, Tim Francis, Bruce Helwig and Jim McKee; (Bob Ripley, Carol Walker, and Terry Young absent). Ed Zimmer and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department.

**STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING:** Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Vice-Chair Tim Francis called the meeting to order and called for a motion approving the minutes of the meeting held March 16, 2006. Motion for approval made by Helwig, seconded by Berggren. Motion for approval carried 4-0: Berggren, Helwig, Francis and McKee voting 'yes'; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

The opportunity was given for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission. No one appeared.

**APPLICATION BY BERGGREN ARCHITECTS ON BEHALF OF CURTIS AND NANCY WELLER FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT 3800 ORCHARD STREET IN THE EAST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD LANDMARK DISTRICT**  
**PUBLIC HEARING:** April 20, 2006

Members present: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

Jerry Berggren talked about the architectural details of the property. The garage doors are carriage like. They will be painted out with the trim. He is trying to find a space in the back yard for recreational space. They are going to look for brick that matches the existing. It won't match perfectly.

Ed Zimmer pointed out that most of the garages in this area sit on the lot line behind the house. Berggren noted that the garage was a prominent feature of the property. The owner would like to keep this house part of the neighborhood and not overbuild.

McKee was a little concerned about the garage, but his fears have been allayed. Francis stated that he thinks it looks very nice. Helwig thinks it looks good.

**APPLICATION BY ELIZABETH KATT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS  
FOR WORK AT 1308 N. 38<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN THE EAST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD  
LANDMARK DISTRICT**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**April 20, 2006**

Members present: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

Elizabeth Katt appeared as applicant. She recently purchased this property. They would like to add an addition to the north side of the house. She would like to get some feedback on the Commission's thoughts and concerns. They would also like to screen in the porch. The back garage would most likely be torn down for the addition. The house currently has crescent moon shutters. They are getting sanded and refinished.

Francis wondered if this would be an attached garage. Katt replied that there would be a mud room between the garage and the house. There is a large easement for the power company on the southern part of the lot.

Francis doesn't have a problem with a two stall garage.

Zimmer noted that there is quite a bit of depth to the lot before you reach the garden. Katt stated that the old trolley line ran behind the house.

Zimmer assumes that because of the visibility of this lot, this is not a 'no material effect' application. These items will need Commission review.

The Commissioners encouraged her ideas for the house.

**APPLICATION BY IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND  
PRESCHOOL ON BEHALF OF ZION CHURCH FOR A CERTIFICATE OF  
APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT 745 D STREET, THE FORMER GERMAN  
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN IMMANUEL CHURCH AND SCHOOL, A DESIGNATED  
LANDMARK**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**April 20, 2006**

Members present: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

Zimmer stated that the former owners of this property have been in contact with himself and the Church at 9<sup>th</sup> and "D". It is in use again as a religious organization. They would like to have a plaque on the cornerstone. It would be a bronze sign that talks about the origins of the building. He recently discovered that Tyler and Grant were the architects. This was originally built as a German Evangelical church and school.

**ACTION:**

McKee moved approval, seconded by Berggren. Motion for approval carried 4-0: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee voting 'yes'; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT APPLICATION FOR FY2006-2007**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**April 20, 2006**

Members present: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

Ed Zimmer explained that previously the City's Historic Preservation Fund grant had an activity period of March 1 to February 28, but often funding was uncertain at the beginning of that period. This year the grant period has been moved to May 1 to April 30. The "gap" will not be a problem as we've been given an extension on FY05/06 activities to August to complete work on surveys in the Sheridan Blvd. and Eastridge areas.

The new activities Ed proposes undertaking are survey work in rural areas of the county, probably through a consultant, and survey work by himself and interns in the Antelope Neighborhood (A to South Streets, S. 27<sup>th</sup> to Antelope Park. It is a nice large area of bungalows that haven't previously been studied. Some specific details of the area were discussed. Ed said he expected to request about \$25,000 in funding, which is matched 60/40 by his hours.

**ACTION:**

Berggren made a motion for approval, seconded by McKee. Motion for approval carried 4-0: Berggren, Francis, Helwig and McKee voting 'yes'; Ripley, Walker and Young absent.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- 3249 Holdrege Street

Marilyn Hutchinson appeared with questions on a potential landmark house at 3249 Holdrege. This house was built on N. 14<sup>th</sup> St. in 1910. It was moved to its present location in 1955. They purchased the house in 1990. It is a large house. Her husband visited with the man who moved the house. The gables were collapsed in order to move the house. The house has oak floors and pocket doors.

Francis questioned what was on the lot before this house. Hutchinson replied that they have searched extensively and have not been able to come up with anything that was on this lot before. She sees the relationship of this house to the campus as the important factor.

Zimmer believes the question is that ordinarily this house is not National Register eligible since it has been moved. He thinks the move occurring over 50 years ago makes this a potentially worthwhile local landmark.

Berggren wondered if there isn't some sort of district here with a number of houses related to the college in this immediate area. Zimmer replied that there is a large difference in dates between the houses in the area and this house, since it was moved. It makes for a very interesting story to go along with the local landmark, but he does not believe it is eligible for the National Register. A significance could be in the area of an event in relationship to both of the Universities. The Commission encouraged a local designation and Ed Zimmer to explore the possibility of a National nomination.

- Zimmer noted that the Burnett house will be up for review at the State Historical Society on May 19, 2006. David Gaspers will be doing the presentation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.